

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U 39-M) for Authorization, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2007.

Application 05-12-002
(Filed December 2, 2005)

Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into the Rates, Operations, Practices, Service and Facilities of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (U 39-M).

Investigation 06-03-003
(Filed March 2, 2006)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING THE MOTION
TO INTERVENE FILED BY SAN DIEGO GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY
AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY**

Motion

On May 11, 2006, San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company (collectively, SDG&E/SoCalGas) filed a motion to intervene in this proceeding pursuant to Rule 45 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. There was no response to the motion.¹

SDG&E/SoCalGas state that the intervenor testimony filed by The Utility Reform Network (TURN) on April 28, 2006, makes recommendations regarding depreciation issues that could affect SDG&E/SoCalGas. They wish to intervene

¹ The assigned Administrative Law Judge directed parties to respond to SDG&E/SoCalGas's motion by no later than May 15, 2006.

“to provide rebuttal testimony to TURN’s depreciation testimony, and to address those issues in opening and reply briefs.”

SDG&E/SoCalGas do not anticipate that they will cross-examine other parties, but SDG&E/SoCalGas “reserve the right” to do so. They also request the opportunity to address other issues that may arise which affect SDG&E/SoCalGas.

Ruling

SDG&E/SoCalGas provided only a vague description of the issues they intend to address. Nevertheless, it is reasonable to expect that issues may arise that affect SDG&E/SoCalGas. Therefore, SDG&E/SoCalGas’s motion to intervene is granted. SDG&E/SoCalGas’s intervention is limited to issues that are within the scope of this proceeding as set forth in the Assigned Commissioner’s Ruling and Scoping Memo dated February 3, 2006. To avoid burdening the record with unduly cumulative arguments and evidence, SDG&E/SoCalGas should limit their participation to only those matters that clearly affect SDG&E/SoCalGas.

Service List

SDG&E/SoCalGas entered an appearance at the prehearing conference in the “information only” category. Pursuant to this Ruling, SDG&E/SoCalGas shall be moved from the “information only” to the “appearances” category on the service list for this proceeding.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. The motion to intervene filed by San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company (collectively, SDG&E/SoCalGas) is granted. Their intervention is limited to those issues that clearly affect SDG&E/SoCalGas

and are within the scope of this proceeding as set forth in the Assigned Commissioner's Ruling and Scoping Memo dated February 3, 2006.

2. SDG&E/SoCalGas shall be moved from the "information only" category on the service list for this proceeding to the "appearances" category.

Dated May 16, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TIMOTHY KENNEY

Timothy Kenney
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Granting the Motion to Intervene Filed by San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Gas Company on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated May 16, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ KE HUANG

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N O T I C E

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